

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : John Mantegna et al.                      Art Unit : 2644  
Serial No. : 09/844,656                                      Examiner : Unknown  
Filed : April 30, 2001  
Title : AUTOMATIC MICROPHONE DETECTION

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Before the first paragraph, beginning at page 1, line 2, insert the following paragraph:

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a non-provisional application that claims priority to U.S. Application  
Serial No. 60/60/239,917, filed on October 13, 2000, which is incorporated herein by reference.--

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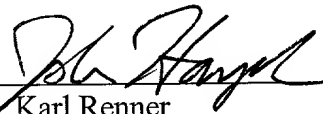
The amendment to the specification is simply to add the related application information.  
No new matter is added.

Attached is a marked-up version of the changes being made by the current amendment.

Applicant asks that all claims be examined. Please apply any charges or credits to  
Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Version with markings to show changes made**

**In the specification:**

Paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2, before "TECHICAL FIELD", the following text has been added:

**--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

**This application is a non-provisional application that claims priority to U.S. Application Serial No. 60/237,697, filed on October 5, 2000, which is incorporated herein by reference.--**

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